

# **American Literature**

**Course Description**: American Literature uses the techniques learned in English 9 and 10 to analyze American literature. Our focus will be on discussion, critical reading and thinking and honing our writing skills in essays and research papers.

**Prerequisite:** English 10

**Texts:**

*Wordly Wise 11*

*Pocket Style Manual*

*English from the Roots Up*

*SAT Official Study Guide*

*The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne

*Drums Along the Mohawk*

*Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane

*My Antonia* by Willa Cather

*Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain

*Our Town* by Thorton Wilder

*Death of a Salesman* by Arthur Miller

*Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck

*To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee

Selected American Poetry

**Evaluations:** Students are evaluated by a variety of means including homework, quizzes, tests, essays, annotations, creative writing and a research paper.

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